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First Inventor

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Medical Instrument

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See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents

1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original, and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☐ Applicant claims small entity status
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 18]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the Invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claims(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawings(s) (35 USC 113) [Total Sheets 2]
5. ☐ Oath or Declaration [Total Sheets 0]
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- b. ☐ Copy from prior application (37 CFR 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
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6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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9. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
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(when there is an assignee)
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